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SUBJECT: INTERNATIONAL BUSINESS VISITORS:
BENUE PLATEAU STATE WATER BOARD

STATE FOR AF/W

1. WATER BOARD SECRETARY JIFZIN AMFANI AND CHIEF WATER ENGINEER Z.I.A. HASHMI PLAN TO VISIT U.S. FOR ONE WEEK BEGINNING OCTOBER 22. INTERESTED IN MEETING WITH SUPPLIERS OF WATER SUPPLY PRODUCTS, PARTICULARLY LARGE STORAGE TANKS, WATER WORKS EQUIPMENT AND DIESEL GENERATOR SETS, AND WITH CONTRACTORS.
2. VISITORS HAVE ALREADY BEEN IN CONTACT WITH JACUZZI BROS. INC., LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS; AND LESLIE INTERNATIONAL, MINNESOTA (?) REGARDING PLANNED VISIT. REQUEST COMMERCE ASSISTANCE IN MAKING ADDITIONAL APPOINTMENTS.
3. FOR STATE, AF/W: ALSO REQUEST APPOINTMENT TO VISIT U.S. GEOLOGICAL SURVEY. WOULD LIKE TO DISCUSS POSSIBLE U.S.G.S. ASSISTANCE IN ESTABLISHING HYDROLOGICAL INVESTIGATIONS UNIT IN BENUE PLATEAU STATE.
4. RE INTEREST IN MEETING WITH CONTRACTORS PLEASE NOTE OUR 433. BELIEVE IT WOULD BE MOST USEFUL FOR VISITORS TO SET WITH FIRMS WHICH HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST IN WORK IN NORTH EASTERN STATE (KADUNA 534, STATE 228755). BECHTEL HAS BEEN PARTICULARLY RESPONSIVE TO NES REQUEST. BPS WATER

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BOARD HAS ALSO EXPRESSED INTEREST IN KAISER ENGINEERING. WE

RELIABLY INFORMED THAT KAISER WILL PROBABLY BE INVOLVED IN
IMPLEMENTATION OF MAJOR HADEJIA VALLEY IRRIGATION PROJECT
IN KANO STATE. THEREFORE, ADDITIONAL PROJECTS IN THE
NORTHERN STATES SHOULD BE OF INTEREST.

5. PLEASE ADVISE RE ARRANGEMENTS FOR VISIT ASAP.
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